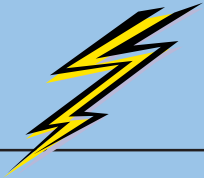


South Beach News

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City of Miami Beach

Neighborhood Services Department



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Miami Beach residents who would like to report power outages or inoperative streetlights in the evening can call Florida Power & Light at 305-442-8770.

"We are committed to providing excellent public service and safety to all who live, work and play in our vibrant, tropical, historic community."



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Neighborhood Meeting Addresses Quality of Life Issues

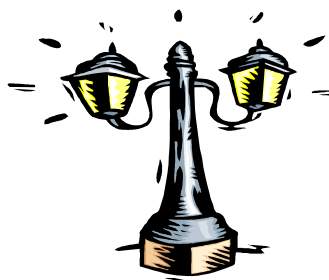
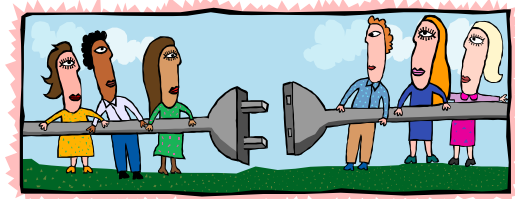
Approximately 35 residents attended the South Beach District Neighborhood Meeting on Monday, October 14th, 2002. This newsletter highlights issues raised at the meeting and provides important information regarding the City's programs and the community's responsibilities regarding those issues. The following three items were identified as neighborhood priorities:

1. Educate community on appropriate park uses.
2. Enforcement of "pooper-scooper" ordinance and locations of bag dispenser boxes.
3. Neighborhood tranquility.

South Pointe

South Pointe residents are now formally organizing the South Pointe Homeowner's Association. The residents are concerned that the area remains a quiet section of Ocean Drive with restrictions on use. Residents have identified a need for a plan, for a defined strategy for the area so that the community is protected. The Community Resource and Outreach Team is available to help organize residents associations. In addition, information about homeowner associations can be found on the City's website at <http://www.ci.miami-beach.fl.us/>.

South Pointe residents have shown great community spirit and are working closely with the City. For more information, contact the South Beach Community Resource Coordinator, Caroline DeFreze, 305-673-7580.



Flamingo Park

Residents are concerned about activities in the neighborhood west of Flamingo Park in the very late evenings and during club hours. The Neighborhood Services Department has made a commitment to work closely with the community, with the support of the Police Department, to come up with a long-term solution.

In accordance with City Ordinance Chapter 82, Section 82-2, which reads in part that no person shall be or remain in any part of any public park, beach, or golf course that is fenced in or provided with gates between the closing of the gates at night and their reopening on the following day; nor shall any person be or remain in any public park, beach or golf course not fenced in or provided with gates, between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 5:00 a.m. on the following day.

We'll keep you posted on our progress.

Recycling Questions?

Recycling pick-up for residents receiving city sanitation service is on Wednesdays. Residents who have private garbage pick-up service should call their hauler directly for their recycling schedule. BF 305-638-3800, Waste Management 305-471-4444, Davis Sanitation 305-653-2684, and Imperial Sanitation 305-888-3551.

Important Phone Numbers

CiviCall
(For Information & Comments)
305-604-CITY (2489)

Office of the Mayor and Commission
305-673-7030

Office of the City Manager
305-673-7010

Police (non-emergency)
305-673-7900

Fire (non-emergency)
305-673-7120

Neighborhood Services
305-673-7077

Community Resource & Outreach
305-673-7580

Parks & Recreation
305-673-7730

Parking
305-673-PARK

City Job Hotline
305-673-7777

City Clerk
305-673-7411

Bulky Waste Pick-Up Appointment
305-633-2700

24-Hour Services

Water & Sewer Streets Sidewalks Streetlights Stormwater
305-673-7625

Traffic Signals
305-592-3580

FPL (power outages & street lights on wooden poles)
305-442-8770

Cats and Dogs

The City of Miami Beach has a population of 87,933 people and an unknown population of cats and dogs. In an effort to keep the City's public rights of way clean, Ordinance 10-13, also referred to as the Pooper Scooper Ordinance, was enacted. Ordinance 10-13 states that any person owning, possessing, having the care, charge, control or custody of any animal shall immediately remove and therefore dispose of any fecal matter deposited by the animal on public or private property (other than the property of the owner).

To better accommodate pet owners in these efforts, the City of Miami Beach Parks Department has installed box dispensers with scooper plastic bags throughout the City. There are currently 5 boxes located in Flamingo Park, 5 boxes in Lummus Park and 10 boxes on Lincoln Road. The dispensers are easily identifiable with signage that states, "Dog owners are requested to clean up after their dogs. Use scoop provided, deposit waste in garbage container. Thank you." They are installed in convenient locations adjacent to park entrances, walkways and near trash receptacles.

Please remember that the bags are a convenience to the City's dog owning residents and should be used as needed, leaving bags to be used by others. Please note that pet owners are responsible for cleaning up after their pets, and sometimes the free bags are unavailable. Be sure to bring some from home- just in case.

While the dog population is often monitored by it's owners, the cat population requires a community effort. If you are interested in controlling the cat population in South Beach, please contact the following two volunteer organizations:

Sobe Spay & Neuter, 305-864-8649 sterilizes cats on Miami Beach for a nominal charge.

The Cat Network, 305-255-3482, controls stray and feral cat populations in South Florida by spaying and neutering cats for a nominal charge and finds suitable homes for adoptable stray and feral cats and kittens.

To report animal cruelty or the pick-up of a dead animal, please contact the **Animal Service Unit of the Miami-Dade Police Department, 305-884-1101**.



Resident's Guide to Local Services – Pick up your new resource guide!

The new Residents' Guide contains information and referrals on the City of Miami Beach – everything from the history of our wonderful city to obtaining a bus pass! The guide will tell you how to get your trash picked up and where to find the most interesting Art on the beach. Call the Community Resource & Outreach Team at 305-673-7580 to receive a guide, or log onto <http://www.ci.miami-beach.fl.us/> to download a copy.

Road Repairs

When utilities such as the electric or gas company work on their service delivery systems, it often means tearing up roadways to access pipes, cables or other items. The City of Miami Beach Public Works Department works closely with FDOT and Miami-Dade County to minimize inconvenience to City residents and monitors all utility repairs performed on Miami Beach to ensure that roadways are properly completed.



New Associations

"With a little help from our friends".

Resident associations are springing up all over the beach. The South Pointe Homeowners' Association is a newly formed group, assisted in the start up by the Community Resource and Outreach Team. The group reviewed Capital Improvement Projects on Bay Road and provided suggestions about proposed changes to the street. The City of Miami Beach administration and the Lincoln West Residents Association worked together to come up with a plan that both residents, City Planners and Administrators were happy with.

Let's celebrate the spirit of democracy in our City. The City encourages groups that want to be active in the development of their communities and to organize to present their concerns to the City.

